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sermonette

"IF ANY MAN WILL COME AFTER ME LET HIM DENY HIMSELF AND TAKE UP THE CROSS AND FOLLOW ME." MATTHEW 16:24

Anyone who is familiar with the teaching of the Scriptures can fail to understand that God does not tolerate mixtures, and that he demands separation of His people. In the very opening pages of the Bible we find that before the Lord God ever said, "Be fruitful and multiply," He separated the light from darkness. And thus it is that the Christian who desires to be fruitful as a witness, must discern the darkness, the sin, in his own life and put it away, and walk steadfastly in the light.

The question is not whether the Christian should be "separated"; there can be no doubt about that! Rather, there are two questions: (1) What is separation?; and (2) For what purpose are we separated? "apo" meaning away from, and "horizo" meaning to mark out, and carries the thought of setting a person or a thing entirely apart from all else of a different character.

Separation, in its New Testament sense, is separation unto God. "Ye are the temple of the living God," Paul wrote, "wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate saith the Lord." First things are to come first. It was because Paul was separated unto the Gospel of God that he was occupied with the things of God. The result was that the things of the world could not do other than fall away. So with a Christian who is separated unto God is so occupied with the things of God, filling his life with blessing, joy, and usefulness. It is when we give ourselves completely to Him, that His purpose may be fulfilled in our lives.

Let us be so full of Christ; so full of His nature, His love and so yielded to Him that we may be accounted worthy to be called Christ-ian.

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DEPARTEES

Departures of the week are Mr. Isaac Kageyama to Minneapolis, Minn.; Mrs. N. Imamura and daughters, Sumiko, Hisako, and Toshiko to Crystal City, Tex.; Nancy Ozaki to Gila Relocation Center; and Mr. & Mrs. Yasuo Shinzaki to Tule Lake, Calif.

WEDDING NOTES

March 2, 1944 will always be an unforgetable day in the lives of the former Miss Yoneko Esaki and Mr. Frank Y. Shiwotsuka. With Rev. S. Asano performing the nuptials, this couple was united in holy matrimony at Chapel Two.

Yoneko has been an active member of the Young People's Church Council, a Sunday School teacher, and talented pianist in our Church. Frank, formerly of Los Angeles, relocated to New York where he is now employed. The newly weds will make their new home in that far eastern metropolis, having departed on Saturday.

Our best wishes for happiness go with them.

SUNDAY MORNING Y.P. WORSHIP SERVICE
March 5, 1944 Chapel II 10:45 A.M.

Chairman: Mr. Tom Mukai
Ushers: Mr. Thomas Tajiri
Mr. Michiyuki Nakamura

Prelude — Miss Clara Tsuchiyama

*Call to Worship
"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly of heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

*Invocation — Rev. Shohei Kowta
Piano response — Pianist

*Opening hymn "Praise Him! Praise Him!" Pg. 86

Offering and Offertory Prayer — Ushers
Announcements

Responsive Reading Proverbs 29: 1 - 18 — Congregation

Special Number — Miss Fredricka Bardon

MESSAGE "Vision and Life" Rev. Shohei Kowta

*Closing hymn "Open My Eyes that I May See" Pg. 218
*Benediction — Rev. S. Kowta
Piano response
*Postlude
(* Please stand)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our speaker for this morning is Rev. Shohei Kowta, moderator of the Christian Church in Poston I. He attended Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio, and received his theological training at Princeton.

A note of interest is that Miss Bardon and Miss Starkey are also graduates of Heidelberg.

An important meeting of all C.E. advisors and cabinet members will be held Monday night at 7:00 P.M. in the Church Library.

The Sunday School teachers of Chapel I will also hold a meeting at the same time.

Miss Sophie Shizume will be the speaker at the mid-week service which starts at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday at 310-7-D, Church Library. The book of Ephesians will be studied.

The Choir for the Easter program will practice every Tuesday, 7:00 P.M. All interested persons please come out to the 305 R. H. and join the group.

TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Miss Bertha Starkey will leave Poston in the near future to attend a Methodist Conference in Chicago, ILL. She plans to visit her Poston friends along the way, going as far as Cleveland, Ohio. We hope she will have a pleasant journey.

CHAPEL II SUN. SCHOOL

A total of twelve Isseis, niseis, and Caucasians are teaching Sunday School classes in 329, Chapel Two. They are volunterily giving their time to teach the children a closer walk with Christ, faithfully appearing every Sunday to do their share for the furtherance of the Gospel. The teachers are as follows:

Mrs. Umezawa - Nursery
Mrs. Takeda - Beginners
Miss M. Standing - Primary girls
Mr. Mas Konatsu - Primary boys
Mrs. Kikuchi - Junior boys
Mrs. Sogo - Junior girls
Mr. Hasegawa - Intermed. boys
Miss M. Barley - Intermed. girls
Miss Alice Grube - Senior class
Miss Rose Tanabe - Substitute
Miss Mary Takasaki - Substitute
Mrs. Ohye - Superintendent

The Chapel Two Church welcomes anyone to the House of God, and we will be happy to have you come to join us in our worship services which start at 8:45 A.M.

VISIT 310-7-D

Many letters have been received from both Caucasian and nisei friends on the outside and are posted on the Bulletin Board in the Church Library. Everyone is invited to enjoy them.

Of particular interest is a message from our former Pastor Paul Nagano. A photograph of the St. Paul group is also attached.